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SETTING UP OF DISTRICT ARMY WELFARE BOARDS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up District Army Welfare Boards in the country, particularly in West Bengal and North-Eastern States in the Eleventh Plan;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI M.M. PALLAM RAJU)

(a) to (c): There are no boards known as District Army Welfare Boards. However, for welfare of ex-servicemen and their families and also families of serving/deceased service personnel, 352 Zila Sainik Boards already exist in various parts of the country including West Bengal and North Eastern States. These Boards, are set up in consultation with Kendriya Sainik Board by the respective state Governments/Union Territory Administrations and function under their administrative control. Proposals for setting up of nine new Zila Sainik Boards have been received by the Kendriya Sainik Board from the states of Karnataka, Meghalaya, Chattisgarh, Gujarat and West Bengal.